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AN OCCASIONAL CONVERSATION.

UPON my Word, Sir, you have, in this last political Mortar-piece, made such amends for your long-lamented Absence, as would almost induce your Friends to wish you from them again, on Condition of having such a Poet put to your Patriot Quill.

I must confess, indeed, that poor *Caleb* appears entirely exhausted, and so thoroughly distressed by the Want of your Presence, to farther any Branch of his Wit, that I was apprehensive he had written all his Readers into a prophetic, had they not been enliven'd by some strong Asstrums from the *funeful Nine*. It is scarcely in my Power to express the Gratitude which my Bosom is full-rought, in Return repeated Honours with which your celestial Distinguisher me: How did my Life resplend with Transports, tho' in a *Foetus*, to find myself stand foremost on the Side of Liberty, notwithstanding some Transactions more prosperous Part of my Life, which the of our Interest have endeavour'd to represent inconsistent with that *Love of Liberty* which I in some Years so openly profess'd. This demonstrates the extraordinary Use of the even on political Occasions, where the common has always supposed her of least Effect: Facts in the Memory of every Reader, being hitherto too stubborn to bend to the gentle Gales of

True, Sir, this has long been the vulgar, but how erroneous that Judgment was, I think, made sufficiently appear: Errors are ex-acting Attendants of human Nature; and, tho' he, who has been liable to them in a Degree, has, in the greatest Degree, shown the Extent of his Capacity. But should be generally granted, (as, perhaps, not with the *cramp'd Conceptions* of some People, like *Virtue* for a Government and Restraint of the Task is the more arduous, and such the greater Praise; since, to the Muses have hitherto appeared, it has been a sufficient to illustrate the Memory of Men, whose ever once occur in their contemporary Writers, Marks of Honour and Esteem; --- but, --- some things have been said of me, which despaired of ever having disbelieved; such Marks of their Truth, had long been driven Throats of our Enemies; and none can more Propriety than myself, that Time con- things; for were not the Years Twelve and totally forgotten, who would expect to find an Example for all Mankind to imitate, in attain as much Perfection as this sublimary capable of?

The very Nature of our Alliance required you be cleared of all Aspersions whatever, the vindicate my joining your Interest, who had been thought so averse to your Principles; --- it must, I hope, be universally confess'd, that but the *Love of Liberty and Virtue*, (I not forgot to add, and of my Country) could Union so assisting to Persons destitute of virtuous Motives. --- You must consider, Sir, that I was unfaithful, and, were not you made I must suffer by our Conjunction.

But, as I was going to observe, --- knowing extraordinary Abilities of my Muse, I determined to raise a Character from beneath a Mountain to the Summit of Reputation, by Praises not by any other Pen than my own: This undertaking superior to that of any Bard who before me, and practicable to no other, and I have now happily accomplish'd it; the Expence of all who stood in your way to which, let me tell you, was no small Task, many Oppositions I must necessarily meet such an Attempt are considered.

That matters not much; they were all in the Interest, and deserve the Usage you gave that Account, should they appear a little too treated on any other.

P--e. It was in vain to attempt to offer my Colossus to the publick Eye, till every thing intercepting its View was levelled; wherefore I first proved every Man, in any tolerable Degree eminent for Virtue, either a *Knave* or a *Fool*, or at least a *Voluptuary*; and then, upon their Ruins, raised the most finished Character that any Age has produced, endued with every Perfection known to the *Heroes* and *Philosophers* of Antiquity, and as many more, which they never knew. --- I was indeed obliged, in order a little to stop the Clamour which echoed from every Quarter, to pay a slight Compliment or two to some who are received at Court; but then I bestowed them in such a Manner, as plainly declared to our Friends, my designing them only to serve our own Purposes. --- And you must allow the Appearance of Impartiality to be sometimes of Service.

B. You certainly have done mighty well; for you know the Town had a Taste of my Virtues sometime before, and were consequently in high Expectation of a farther Enlargement of so new a Theme. --- But, to return to our Subject, --- I acknowledge *Caleb* to have been unpardonably dull all the last Season; but, tho' I was absent, was it not natural for you, or the rest of our Friends, to have helped him out at a dead Lift: You know the poor Man never could say much himself, and the Character he once obtain'd from the Assistance of others, can only be supported by a Continuation of the same Assistance; the want of which has had such a melancholy Effect on our Affairs, as to make the very Persons, who, some Years ago, always called for the *Craftsman* before their Chocolate, now breakfast first, and then yawn out, Does *Caleb* say any thing to-day.

P. This is much truer than I wish it: But tho' our ancient Platform has not lately defended our Works with the Success it once had, we have the Addition of two small Batteries, which have play'd with considerable Fury on some Occasions; and tho' they generally fired but random Shot, yet had this good Effect, that they help'd, in some measure, to employ that Attention which must otherwise have been given to *Caleb's* Mount.

B. Yes; but I know not whether (notwithstanding the good Intentions of the Writers of the *Common Sense*) upon a narrow Scrutiny into their Effects on the People, we shall be found Gainers by their Endeavours: --- For as the Reputation of our Friends is what we greatly rely on, to obtain the general Esteem, it would be most conducive to our Design, to be seconded by such only as possess Characters Proof against the most popular Censures; such, you must own, we stand in need of. --- But, I fear, it will add but little to our Strength, to be openly supported and Joint-Labourers with those, who, to speak among Friends, would never have appeared in Defence of Patriotism, (any more than ourselves) had they had any Probability of finding Encouragement from the People at Court.

P--e. Sir, 'tis impossible, that these full-mouth'd Advocates for the Liberty of their Country, could ever have fawn'd on the Idols of Power?

B. Nothing, Sir, is more certain, than that one of these Butchers of *Common Sense*, after a Series of Frauds and Abuse to all he could deceive, or in any other manner use ill; after betraying every Trust reposed in him, exposing whatever he thought should be concealed, and supplying its Place with scandalous Representations of his own disappointed Imagination; after soliciting, in the most submissive Manner, the Benevolence of those he now to furiously cries out against, and begging Bread from the Persons he now makes shift to live by abusing; it was, after all this, I say, he came to join us, and desire the Liberty of aspersing those whom he could not deceive; a Motive for joining us, not of a late Growth, indeed; and, tho' it is what may be dispensed with, in our present Station, yet 'tis no way to be desired; since, let us say what we can to the contrary, the People will consider who speaks, as well as what is said.

P. What is your Judgment of his *Twin Brother*?

B. That he is really more his Brother than the World seems to imagine, being driven among us by the same Tempest; for, could the poor Fellow have enjoy'd but a Smile of the Benevolence he so many Years solicited from the Gentlemen he is now paid for using with the most scurrilous Treatment, he had never drawn Quill under our Batteries.

P--e. If this be the Case, the Cause of Virtue will gain but little Ground by their fighting in her Defence.

P. But you must not forget, Sir, that such Things must be constantly said to the People, as the Apprehensions of some, and the tenacious Verity of others, will not allow them to utter: And tho' these Men may be more liable to Exception than we could wish, the single Act of joining with us in Defence of their Country, will erase their former Crimes. --- Were we not to suppose this, who would wish himself among the Champions for Virtue, which you have marked as the only true Friends to yourself, to Honour, and to their Country. You must, in your next Dialogue, raise these Men from Infamy, that we may not have Occasion to blush at being seen in their Company.

B. 'Tis to no Purpose to wish them better; I know not whether, even as they are, they are not preferable to Men who stand fairer in the Opinion of the World. Were they Persons of Character, either for Honour or Honesty, I question whether I should be able, with all my good Friend's Potential Aid, to support that superior Regard which is indispensable to the Welfare of our common Interest.

P--e. Right, Sir, one Occasional Writer will wipe away more Stains than we can get by their Daubing in a whole Year. --- I take this Opportunity to congratulate you on that excellent Composition.

P. And I desire to join my Acknowledgments on the same Account.

B. Dear Gentlemen, you are very sensible of my Affection for my Country, which I have taken all Opportunities to convince every Man of, whose Ears are open to my publick Labours, for the Reformation of a Land I only wish once more to have the Power of Serving.

P--e. 'Tis a happy Title; for the very Name of the Occasional Writer declares it every Man's Duty to read what Occasion requires should be written: ---

P. But I can't help thinking, that in this excellent Piece, you have fallen short of the Elegance for which you have been principally admired. ---

B. What appears to you low, is the proper Language of the Character I have caused to speak it!

P--e. True, true, perfectly in Character!

P. But I know not whether the Language you have put into the Mouths of *Furio* and *Curio*, is agreeable with the Characters of Gentlemen acquainted at Court. ---

B. Perhaps not: But as they are Courtiers, and consequently, as the Court goes now-a-days, know not how to think, it would have been quite unnatural to suppose them able to speak. --- Don't I immediately dispatch them to St. James's, where, you know, we can scarce allow one Man of *Common Sense* to go in a Twelvemonth, --- unless to resign his Employments.

P--e. Have not I done the same thing in several Instances? --- When I look for a wise Man, an ingenious Man, or a good Man, do you ever find me searching near the Court? And would you then have Court-Messengers able to utter *Common Sense*, after we have so long engrossed the *Wit* of that Commodity?

P. But, to speak impartially, are not the Contents of this useful Piece somewhat too Stale?

B. That is the Fault of the present Possessors of Power: Their not giving fresh Occasions for Murmur, must not be a sufficient Cause for ceasing our Complaint: The Cry once raised, must be kept up; for I cannot bear the Thoughts of lying in a private Station. If the Degeneracy of the Age renders my *Virtue* an insufficient Recommendation to the Authority I merit, I am determined to render myself Superior to that Authority, by testing Mankind see 'tis in my Power to perplex those who possess it.

P--e. And, Sir, while I can turn my Lyre, you may depend on having your warmest Declarations sent to Posterity, as the Overthrowing of your Zeal for the Publick Welfare. --- Should any mercenary Bard dare to oppose me, he shall be held of the second String of Dunces, and then see who dare commend him, without risking the same Fate.

P. But still I am apprehensive, the Articles principally insisted on in the last Occasional Writer, will be thought the same that appeared many Years ago.

B. No matter; even supposing that true, it has several Consequences attending it; such as giving publick Notice to our dispersed Friends, that their old Generals endeavouring to rally his Forces by the

same Means as before; that he has not forgot the first Cause of his Complaint, nor will cease complaining, till he is put in a Capacity of atoning for the Injuries done the Publick, and of displaying his superior Skill in guiding the Helm of State, in which he once so remarkably distinguish'd his Judgment. — Besides all which, the Stateness of his Contents must be attended with this Convenience, that whatever the Court Scribblers can say by way of Reply to it, must necessarily be as *Stale*; which will give a fresh Occasion, for calling them as many jaded Drudges, Blunderers and Blockheads as a Page of *Craftsman* will contain.

P. But I am a little at a Loss, as to the next proper Step, we must take to keep the Attention of our Friends awake.

B. In order to that, I must shortly publish a Supplement to my last, containing *A Proposal to the good People of England, to preserve them from DEBT, DEATH and TAXES, by a Physician lately arrived from Chappelle*; — and my Friend must oblige us with a *Prophecy of Vices* for the ensuing Year.

P. But I know not who he can end his next *Dialogue* with; for, as he last Year declared himself the only *Drawansir* of the Age, we can scarce suppose another to be raised in so short a Space; and a *Hero* he must have.

P. Leave that to me: The Muse that has made a Saint, need not despair of any Thing.

Temple, October 16.

SCOTLAND.

Edinburgh, Oct. 12. Tuesday last being the Birthday of his Grace the Duke of Argyle, it was observed here with sincere Affection by a great many Companies, who with the warmest Gratitude remember'd his many signal Services to this Country, and to the City of Edinburgh in particular. His Grace's Tenants at Duddingston, in Testimony of their Happiness under such a Master, made great Rejoicings, which ended in a publick Subscription among themselves for 600 Carriages towards the Royal Infirmary. As this so necessary and useful Undertaking meets with great Encouragement from Persons of all Ranks; so no doubt this publick Spirit of the Tenants in that Barony will be more agreeable to their illustrious Lord, than if they had fuddled themselves fifty Times drinking his Health.

Yesterday being the Anniversary of his Majesty's Coronation, the Musick Bells and Great Bells rung the Day long. In the Afternoon the Lord Provost, Magistrates, Town Council, with several other Gentlemen, met and testify'd their Joy and Loyalty. The Flag was display'd in the Morning on the Castle; at Noon it fired thrice seven Guns, which were alternately answered by Volleys from Brigadier Middleton's Regiment, headed by Brigadier General Guist. The Night concluded with Bonfires, &c. The Gentlemen of the Army were entertained by General Guist.

Yesterday Morning died here Mr. Alexander Herriot, Merchant of this City, Aged 90, leaving an opulent Fortune.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Newcastle, Oct. 14. Last Monday William Smith, who had absconded above a Week, was taken at a House without Westgate, and being carried before a Magistrate, was, after Examination, committed to Newgate, on Suspicion of murdering his Wife: His Son, Aged about Sixteen, surrender'd himself, and his sent to the Workhouse.

HOME PORTS.

Leith, Oct. 10. Sailed the Betty Gally, William Hunter, for Gottenburg.

Dartmouth, Oct. 15. This Day sailed the Johanna, Jones, of this Place from Exon for Bilbao; the Feriland, Wolland, for Ponte Vedra; and the Delight, Bulley, of this Place for St. Martin's. Wind N. N. E.

Portsmouth, Oct. 17. Since my last came in the Jane Sloop, Legros, from Jersey; the Leep Sloop, Abbot, from Amsterdam; and the Brack, a Dutch Man of War of 20 Guns, Capt. William Barron Van Wallenwer, from Amsterdam, but last from Spithead. Sailed the Greenwich Man of War, Capt. Cornwall, from Spithead for Woolwich. Sailed from the Harbour, the Elizabeth, —, for Bordeaux; the Helena Brig. Fry, for Lisbon; the Endeavour Sloop, Bushaway, for Rhoan; the Neptune Sloop, Eason, for Havre de Grace; the Sweet Peggy, Weeks, for Bordeaux; the Caesar, Dewar, for Gibraltar;

and the Richard and Sarah, Binstead, for Bordeaux. Remains at Spithead the Sweden Man of War, Capt. Henrick Wagenfeldt; and the Pahiarich, Elkman, both bound for Constantinople. Also remain at Spithead his Majesty's Ships of War the Amelia, Kent, Elizabeth, Lenox, Sunderland, Augusta, Shoreham, Dursley, Mahone, Hound, Spy, Cruiser, Boneta and Terrible. Wind at N. N. E. with exceeding fine Weather.

Dover, Oct. 17. Arrived the Martha, Simpson, from Antigua; who came from thence the 19th of August last, the Day after the Storm, and confirms the Account of the violent Tornado or Hurricane, of which we gave an Account in our Paper of the 17th Instant.

Deal, Oct. 17. Wind N. N. W. Remains the Chester Man of War. Yesterday came down with a fair Wind, and sailed thro' the Augustus Caesar, Hampton, for Leghorn.

Gravesend, Oct. 17. Yesterday passed by the Northampton, Thorp, from Virginia; the Young Nancy, Brice, from Jamaica; and this Day the Lilly, Logey, from Norway; the Catherine, Blackston; and the Elizabeth, Eaglesfield, from Maryland; the Bethel, Long, from Antigua; the London, Barfoot, from Zant; and the Charles, Teague, from Virginia.

The John and Constant, Curling, from Petersburg, is arrived in Margat Road.

Capt. Angwin of the Richard and Thomas, from Jamaica, spoke with the Prince of Asturias of Ramsgate, bound for Philadelphia, in Latitude 44 Degrees 30 Minutes North: She has been 15 Days from Plymouth, and about 250 Leagues to the Westward of the Lizard, all well.

L O N D O N.

They write from Derby, that last Tuesday se'night the Hon. John Stanhope, Esq; Brother to the Earl of Chesterfield, and Member of Parliament for that Borough, gave a very grand Entertainment at the Talbot, George, and King's Head, to all the Burgesses without Distinction; who after Dinner had every Man as much Wine allow'd as he would drink; and he gave 5s. to every poor Burgess who chose to accept it rather than the Entertainment; so that 'tis said about 300 Persons accepted the Crown, and about 100 were entertain'd at each of the above-mentioned Inns.

Last Week the Northampton Stage Coach was robbed on Chalk Hill, near Dunstable, by a single Highwayman poorly mounted on a Bay Horse, who took from the Passengers the Value of about 4 l. but returned them a Crown to bear their Charges, and rode gently away towards Hemphstead.

Last Tuesday se'night a Fire broke out in a Tallow Chandler's House at Marlborough in Wilts, which consumed the same, with a Ton Weight of Tallow, and 100 Dozen of Candles; but by timely Assistance, it was prevented from doing any further Damage.

Yesterday his Majesty, the Duke, and the Princesses Amelia and Caroline, attended by several of the Nobility and Gentry, took the Diversion of hunting a Hind in Richmond New Park, which afforded a pleasant Chase, and about 3 o'Clock his Majesty returned to Kensington.

To-morrow being *Essoign Day* before Michaelmas Term, the several Courts in Westminster Hall will be opened by one of the Judges of the respective Courts.

This Day the 4 Troops of Horse, and two Troops of Grenadier Guards, are to be muster'd in Hyde Park by George Huxley, Esq; Commissary General of his Majesty's Forces.

The Lord Chief Baron Cummys, and most of the Judges, are come to Town from their respective Country Seats, in order to attend the Business of the ensuing Term.

Yesterday Morning died in an advanced Age, at his House in Duke-street, Grosvenor's Square, John Fielding, Esq; a Gentleman of a plentiful Estate in the County of Bedford, and a near Relation to the Hon. Major General Fielding.

Yesterday the Hon. Charles and John Stanhope, Esqrs. Twin Brothers, and Sons of the Right Hon. the Lord Harrington, who arrived from their Travels in Foreign Parts on Monday last, were introduced to his Majesty at Kensington, and met with a most gracious Reception.

High Water this Day }	Morning	Evening
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Bank Stock 421 1-half. India 172 1-half. South Sea 103 1-4th. Old Annuity 112 3-4th. New ditto 111. Three per Cent. 105. Five per Cent. 110 1-half. Loan 110 1-half. Royal Assurance 108 1-4th. London Assurance 14 3-4th. African 14. India Bonds 16 s. Prem. South Sea ditto 2 l. 11 s. Prem. Bank Circulation 1 l. 2 s. 6 d. Premium. Tallies 1-half to 2 1-half Prem. English 3 l. 15 s. Welsh ditto 15 s. Three 1-half Cent. Exchequer Orders 6 1-4th per Cent. Three per Cent. ditto 1 per Cent. Prem. Bank 122.

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